

DATE OF MEETING: October 1, 2007

PLACE OF MEETING: Village Hall, Pawling, New York

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Robert Liffland
Trustee Tracy Durkin
Trustee Wayne Osborn
Trustee Allen Rundall
Trustee Robert Murphy

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Manny Vicente, a representative of Homeland Towers, gave a presentation on putting up a communication tower at the Sewer Treatment Facility on Corbin Road.

The Board discussed what type of lighting should go in behind the village hall.

MOTION by Trustee Durkin to approve the short term rental of a shoebox type light until grant money could be found to purchase a light. **SECONDED** by Trustee Murphy. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Liffland reported that Ann Saylor of Dutchess County Planning and Development sent a memo to the Board with suggested changes to the Affordable Housing Law. The changes would provide a bigger pool of people to draw upon for affordable home sales. The Board was in agreement to have the attorney draft a local law to make the changes.

Mayor Liffland reported that the agreement between Metro North and the village for the Village Green project was set however the last item needed was the production and approval of a design report.

The Board discussed crediting a property owner \$90.41 in tax penalties for grid number 6957-20-765146. It was decided to have the attorney review the request before making any decisions.

MOTION by Trustee Durkin to grant Kevin Peeters Family Medical Leave with contingencies. **SECONDED** by Trustee Murphy. Trustee Rundall stated the discussion should be reserved for Executive Session. Trustee Murphy said he agreed because he did not know if there were legal issues involved. He suggested that the attorney look into it.

MOTION by Trustee Durkin to table the previous motion. **SECONDED** by Trustee Rundall. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Durkin to approve the minutes from August 20, 2007. **SECONDED** by Trustee Rundall. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Osborn to approve September's bills in the amount of \$61,719.70. **SECONDED** by Trustee Durkin. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Trustees' Reports

Tracy Durkin

Trustee Durkin stated she was waiting to hear back from a representative from Network Support regarding the agreement for the offices' computers. She said she spoke with Lou Sebesta about the Memorial Avenue trees and he said he would be happy to make recommendations on what the Board could do for the trees and would help with the RFP. Trustee Durkin said she and Trustee Murphy would be attending a ReLeaf training program on October 3rd about urban trees. She said she was looking into different engineers to do the traffic study at Willets and Charles Colman Boulevard.

Wayne Osborn

Trustee Osborn said Taber Knolls was going to be blacktopped as well as part of Corbin Road. He said the Highway Department was going to need a new truck and he got three quotes:

M&S	\$21,382.00 for a 2007
Ruge's	\$34,385.00 for a 2008
State Bid	\$17,171.00 plus shipping.

Trustee Rundall said the Board would have to go out to bid for the truck. Trustee Osborn said he was presenting the prices for budgetary purposes.

Robert Murphy

Trustee Murphy said he started to put numbers together for the garbage budget and would schedule the apportionment hearing for the first meeting in December. Trustee Murphy said he was gathering preliminary numbers for the Pawling Joint Sewer Commission budget. Mayor Liffland said he would like to see if the County could help the Sewer Department out with money. Trustee Murphy asked in what capacity. Mayor Liffland said for grant money and having the county come out to see how they could help. Trustee Murphy asked if it was for Community Block Grant money. Mayor Liffland said for whatever they could help with – the cost of operations, etc... Trustee Murphy said he did not think that would happen unless the county wanted to take the plant over. Mayor Liffland said the Board talked about having the county come out and give a presentation on whatever they could help the Sewer Commission with. Trustee Murphy said he did not think they would help with anything other than taking over the sewer plant. Mayor Liffland stated it would be worth seeing what they would have to say.

Allen Rundall

Trustee Rundall reported that because the tank was dropping he notified Mr. Parrino that he would be putting the Libby Lane well back on line. He said Mr. Parrino's water tank was being filled by Durkin's water while the well was on. Trustee Rundall said he met with Mr. Zarecki, a village engineer, and with Severn Trent representatives, the village's water consulting firm, to set up a meeting with Layne Christensen representatives to discuss a filtering system. Trustee Murphy said he thought Libby Lane was put back on line because another well tested high. Trustee Rundall said the TP well was taken off line but the tank was going down regardless. There was discussion on the topic. He reported that the Community Development Block Grant was submitted. Trustee Murphy

asked if water restrictions should be put in place. Trustee Rundall said he did not know if that would help because he did not feel that an excessive amount of water was being used. He said he would look into it. Trustee Rundall said he would be putting in another report about street light outages. He said there were three lights in at the Baxter Green development.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Liffland said he met with Beth Doyle about the CDBG and a joint venture with the town. He reported that due to the town's and village's ratings we would not qualify for the CDBG so the village would apply for the \$150,000 alone. He said the engineers had a meeting on October 10, 2007 at the DOT regarding the SAFETEA-LU grant money. He said he was waiting to hear back from Beth Doyle about using the CDBG money to go south on Memorial Avenue. Mayor Liffland reported the East Main Street bid opening was held and the bids ranged from \$126,732.50 to \$255,100.00. He said the town was putting their budget together and the village was looking at another 15-16% increase. Mayor Liffland said he would be attending a meeting in Dover concerning money available for hazardous spills.

Public Comment

Mr. Steve Parrino a resident of Libby Lane asked about the TP well, why the water was going down and where it was going and where test results were for his well. Mr. Parrino said the Board needed to start thinking about a filtration plant, doing infrastructure work and pursuing grant money in the future.

Ms. Wendy Isbister asked about the mailing procedures when a well is contaminated.

Mr. Glenn Carey, a resident of the town, said he did not think that the Board could offer FMLA to Mr. Peeters because it would be discriminatory. He commented on the purchase of the truck.

Mr. Earl Slocum, a resident of East Main Street, said it would be nice to keep business local in regards to purchasing the new truck. He said he told the residents that the stop sign on Willets and Charles Colman was affecting to come to the meeting. Mr. Slocum thanked the Board for having Mr. Vicente use the microphones because he could hear what was said better.

Mr. Sy Capalbo, a resident of Walnut Street, commented on unregistered cars in the village and the water situation.

Ms. Faith Phillips, a resident of West Street, asked when the street lights on Charles Colman Boulevard would be taken down. She said someone should speak to the people in the audience who were rude to people during public comment.

Mr. Doug Warren, Working Highway Foreman, thanked the Board for their support on the new truck. He said the in-street pedestrian sign survived but he would like to monitor it another week or two before ordering any more. He said there was an MS4 inspection done at the garage and the garage received a high rating. He said leaf season was

around the corner and gave an update on the status of the leaf machine. He said the temporary replacement for Kevin Peeters was working out very well.

Trustee Rundall said he received a letter from Metro North asking for the village to complete certain upkeep issues. He asked the Board if they thought the village should contract out for those things. He gave a copy of letter to Mr. Warren to review. Trustee Rundall said St. John's asked him to remove the yellow lines in front to create another parking space.

There was discussion about putting recycling cans up around the village.

Ms. Isbister thanked the village for the street lights in the development. She asked about when the streets would be dedicated. Ms. Isbister asked about the Tree City USA program.

Mr. Parrino asked about the bonds held on the Baxter Green development. Mayor Liffland said he would not comment due to the threat of litigation.

MOTION by Trustee Rundall to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Rundall to open the meeting and go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel. **SECONDED** by Trustee Durkin. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Osborn to close Executive Session and go into regular session. **SECONDED** by Trustee Murphy. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

There were no decisions made in Executive Session.

MOTION by Trustee Rundall to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 P.M. **SECONDED** by Trustee Osborn. There was no discussion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Village Clerk